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## PRESIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

- throughout the Federal Departments and Agencies in the interest of national security was recognized in the enactment of the National Security Act of 1947 (Public Law 253).
- 2. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102(a) of said Act, the Central Intelligence Agency was established to coordinate "the intelligence activities" of the several Government departments and agencies.
  - The words "intelligence activities" are not to be interpreted in the narrow technical sense as applying merely to a unit of organization called an "intelligence" undertaking. They mean any organizational pattern that possesses information, conditions, or circumstances which are determined to be of interest and of use to the Central Intelligence Agency in the coordinated production of intelligence.
- 4. (Hence, it is incumbent on all Executive Departments and Agencies, without exception, to recognize the unique position which the Central

Intelligence Agency occupies in the federal structure, and to be guided accordingly in rendering to the CIA, all possible assistance voluntarily, and when specifically requested to do so.

- 5. In the pursuance of his duties of inspection, of giving advice and making recommendations to the National Security Council on the coordination of intelligence, of correlating and evaluating intelligence relating to the national security, of disseminating finished intelligence products throughout the Government, and of protecting intelligence sources and methods, the Director of Central Intelligence shall call upon the heads of Government Departments and Agencies for such cooperative assistance as he deems essential. Departmental and Agency heads will see to it that their intelligence branches, or those units within their organizations dealing with matters of appropriate substance will cooperate to the fullest extent practicable with departmental or agency policy.
- 6. In its responsibility for the overall administration of the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Council will issue, when

shall carry the weight of Presidential Administrative Orders and shall be recognized as such by all Repartments and Agencies of Governments.

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